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Request for Continued ExaminationAtty. Docket No. YOR920000168US1
(590.014)**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Chaudari et al.
Serial No. : 09/593,275 Examiner : Qi Han
Filed : June 13, 2000 Group Art Unit : 2654
For : SPEAKER RECOGNITION METHOD BASED ON STRUCTURED
SPEAKER MODELING AND A SCORING TECHNIQUE (as
amended)

HON. COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in the above-identified application.

1.

Extension of Time

- ☐ No extension of time is needed.
- ☒ Applicant requests an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A Petition for an extension of time is enclosed.
- ☒ In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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2. **Submission Required Under 37 CFR 1.114**

- ☐ Previously submitted
☐ Please enter the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____.
☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
☐ Other _____.

☒ Enclosed
☒ Amendment/Reply
☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
☐ Other _____.

3. **Miscellaneous**

- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.

☐ Other _____.

4. **Fees**

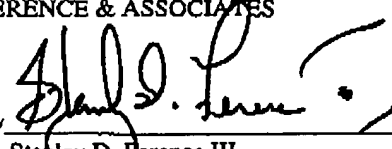
- ☐ Applicant encloses herewith a check for \$_____ to cover the RCE fee.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$790.00 RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully submitted,

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